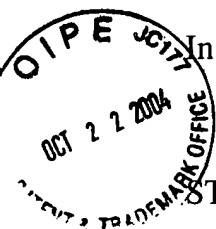


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The instant application was allowed October 15, 2004. However, the undersigned has not yet received an initialed PTO-1449 Form corresponding to the IDS filing of April 9, 2004. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner confirm that the IDS filing has been considered by providing the undersigned with an initialed copy of the corresponding PTO-1449 Form.

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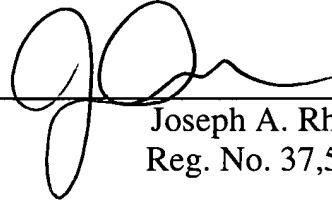
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